GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:307
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2008
UTILIZATION OF FUNDS UNDER ICDS
Barad Shri Jashubhai Dhanabhai

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of utilisation of funds under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme with reference to budgetary allocation made during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the basic social sections including the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes are getting due benefits under this scheme;

(c) if so,the details thereof;and

(d) the steps being taken to ensure proper implementation of the scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b),(c) & (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a),(b),(c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 307 FOR 19.12.2008 BY SHRI JASUBHAI DHANABHAI BARAD REGARDING UTILIZATION OF FUNDS UNDER ICDS

(a) : The year-wise allocation of budget and utilization thereof during the last three years and the current year under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme are as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

S.No.	Year	Budgetary allocation	Utilization
1	2005-06	3685.30	3697.99
2	2006-07	4543.00	4435.30
3	2007-08	5293.00	5256.24
4	2008-09	6300.00	3735.18#

As reported by States upto 15.12.2008

(b) & (c): The ICDS Scheme envisages that in the selection of projects in rural areas priority consideration is to be given to areas predominantly inhabited by Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

With the universalisation of the Scheme and third phase of expansion, the State Governments have been requested to ensure that priority in selection of Angnawadi Centre is given to villages predominantly inhabited by SC/ST and minority community.The State Governments have also been requested to certify that all SC/ST and Minority Community habitations have been saturated.

(d): In order to strengthen the service delivery and make the implementation of ICDS Scheme more effective,Government of India has

taken the following steps :

Universalization of the Scheme with special focus on the coverage of SC/ST and minority population;

Revision of financial norms of supplementary nutrition with immediate effect.

Revision of financial norms of existing interventions

Introduction of cost sharing pattern between Centre and States in the ratio of 90:10 for all components including SNP for North Eastern States and 50:50 for SNP and 90:10 for rest of the States;

Provision of flexi funds at Anganwadi level

Strengthening of Management Information System (MIS) and training component of ICDS Scheme.

(All these except cost norms for SNP would be effective from 2009-2010)

Introduction of World Health Organization (WHO) Growth standards